

## SENATE BILL No. 31

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### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 9-19-7-2.

**Synopsis:** Motorcycle handlebar height. Provides that motorcycle handlebars may not rise higher than the shoulders of the driver when the driver is seated in the driver's seat. (Current law provides that the handlebars may not rise more than 15 inches above the driver's seat.)

**Effective:** July 1, 2010.

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January 5, 2010, read first time and referred to Committee on Homeland Security, Transportation & Veterans Affairs.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-19-7-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
2 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2010]: Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in  
3 subsection (b), a motorcycle operated on the streets or highways by a  
4 resident of Indiana must meet the following requirements:

5 (1) Be equipped with handlebars that rise not ~~more than fifteen~~  
6 ~~(15) inches above the level of~~ **higher than the shoulders of the**  
7 **driver when the driver is seated in** the driver's seat or saddle.  
8 ~~when occupied.~~

9 (2) Be equipped with brakes in good working order on both front  
10 and rear wheels.

11 (3) Be equipped with footrests or pegs for both operator and  
12 passenger.

13 (4) Be equipped with lamps and reflectors meeting the standards  
14 of the United States Department of Transportation.

15 (b) A motorcycle manufactured before January 1, 1956, is not  
16 required to be equipped with lamps and other illuminating devices  
17 under subsection (a) if the motorcycle is not operated at the times when



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- 1 lighted head lamps and other illuminating devices are required under  
2 IC 9-21-7-2.

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